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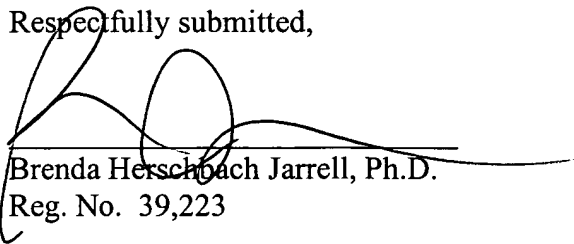
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1. Response to Office Action Under 37 CFR § 371.111 (35 pp.), including Appendix A (8 pp.); Appendix B (6 pp.); Exhibit A (1 pg.); Exhibit B (4 pp.); Exhibit C (5 pp.); Exhibit D (1 pg.); Exhibit E (12 pp.); Exhibit F (5 pp.); Exhibit G (1 pg.) and Exhibit H (2 pp.);
2. Statement Under 37 CFR 1.804(b) (1 pg.);
3. Statement Under 38 CFR 1.808 (a) and (b) (2 pp.);
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